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TIMBER CUTTINGS, 1979 AND JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1980, WITH COMPARISONS

Sawtimber cut in Louisiana for the year 1979 totaled 1,287,891,500 board feet. Cuttings were down by 4.2 percent from the previous year but 10.2 percent above the 1973-77 average. For the first two months of 1980 sawlog harvest ran 6.5 percent above a year ago and was 5.2 percent above the previous five-year (1974-1978) average.

The pulpwood cut of 3,716,500 cords in 1979 was 4 percent more than in 1978 and 10.7 percent above the previous five-year average. So far this year cuttings are up 28.7 percent from last year and 27.1 percent above the 1974-78 average.

MARKET SUMMARY, FIRST QUARTER, 1980

Stumpage prices paid for pine sawtimber during the first quarter of 1980 averaged \$201.00 per thousand board feet. This price represents a drop of almost 9 percent from the previous quarter but is 7 percent higher than the state average of a year ago. Prices paid for hardwoods were mixed but trended lower on some species during the latter part of the quarter.

Pole prices were generally higher for most classes.

Pulpwood stumpage averaged \$10.20 and \$3.85 for pine and hardwood respectively.

Wood Chips averaged \$18.75 per ton for pine and \$12.70 for hardwood F.O.B. sawmill.

During the January-March quarter, the following U.S.D.A. Forest Service Sales for Kisatchie National Forest were reported. 1/

Specie	SAWLOGS		PULPWOOD	
	MBF 2/	Ave. Price Dollars/MBF	Cords	Ave. Price Dollars/Cord
Syp	17,237	267.74	40,748	27.72
Mx. Hdwd.	442	61.20	177	4.05

1/ - Does not include salvage and optional sales.

2/ - Scribner-Decimal "C" Rule.

AVERAGE PRICES PAID TO LOUISIANA TIMBER PRODUCERS BY TYPES OF INDUSTRIES, JANUARY-MARCH,
1980 WITH COMPARISONS

Forest Service Sales are excluded from the following reported prices

STATE AVERAGE

		Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Area 5	Jan.-Mar. 1980	Previous Quarter	Same Period Year Ago
(A) Sawtimber	(Stumpage) (Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)
Pine	M.Bd.Ft.	209.25	219.60	208.85	154.20	1/	201.00	220.50	187.85
Cypress	"	1/	81.00	1/	1/	65.88	68.80	59.65	50.95
Oaks	"	50.60	59.45	53.55	60.00	58.75	56.40	55.20	48.95
Gums	"	49.00	45.00	48.30	57.50	56.15	53.05	53.80	48.30
Willow	"	1/	43.00	1/	53.35	58.20	51.70	54.60	49.00
Ash	"	1/	108.00	1/	78.35	69.80	78.20	72.80	71.40
Cottonwood	"	1/	1/	1/	57.50	58.95	56.10	58.35	50.20
Mixed Hardwoods	"	50.65	53.30	53.30	56.25	58.05	55.00	54.95	48.30

(B) Sawtimber (Delivered)

Pine	M.Bd.Ft.	236.55	268.75	258.25	211.35	1/	241.00	259.05	227.70
Cypress	"	1/	149.15	1/	1/	133.95	138.90	140.80	129.05
Oaks	"	115.70	130.55	128.00	127.50	126.55	125.70	122.80	107.45
Gums	"	113.75	116.45	123.75	125.00	115.30	117.95	122.05	110.75
Willow	"	1/	115.85	1/	120.00	110.10	116.10	119.30	108.65
Ash	"	1/	171.65	1/	137.50	123.75	140.45	140.20	124.00
Cottonwood	"	1/	125.85	1/	125.00	111.80	120.60	120.55	111.30
Mixed Hardwoods	"	125.00	125.85	122.00	120.70	115.95	121.10	120.80	111.50

Poles, Barky (FOB Plant or Concentration Point) - Each -

30-Ft. Class 5	1/	1/	17.10	1/	1/	14.65	13.00	12.05
" Class 6	1/	1/	15.30	1/	1/	12.75	10.75	10.10
" Class 7	1/	1/	12.40	1/	1/	10.95	9.10	8.50
35-Ft. Class 4	1/	1/	22.90	1/	1/	21.65	20.05	18.45
" Class 5	1/	1/	20.65	1/	1/	20.10	18.40	16.95
" Class 6	1/	1/	17.75	1/	1/	15.90	14.10	12.90
" Class 7	1/	1/	14.80	1/	1/	13.75	12.45	9.60
40-Ft. Class 2	1/	1/	38.20	1/	1/	35.80	33.00	30.40
" Class 3	1/	1/	34.70	1/	1/	32.65	29.80	28.80
" Class 4	1/	1/	30.25	1/	1/	29.40	26.85	25.35
" Class 5	1/	1/	25.85	1/	1/	24.25	22.70	20.65
" Class 6	1/	1/	24.50	1/	1/	21.85	20.65	17.10
45-Ft. Class 2	1/	1/	45.30	1/	1/	43.05	39.50	37.35
" Class 3	1/	1/	40.80	1/	1/	38.50	35.80	34.35
" Class 4	1/	1/	35.55	1/	1/	33.30	30.25	28.70
" Class 5	1/	1/	30.55	1/	1/	29.75	27.90	25.25
50-Ft. Class 2	1/	1/	54.30	1/	1/	53.15	49.65	46.70
" Class 3	1/	1/	47.35	1/	1/	46.75	43.85	41.90
" Class 4	1/	1/	40.90	1/	1/	40.70	37.75	34.20
55-Ft. Class 2	1/	1/	67.65	1/	1/	66.45	61.80	56.70
" Class 3	1/	1/	59.05	1/	1/	58.50	54.85	52.75
" Class 4	1/	1/	53.45	1/	1/	52.35	45.60	42.70
60-Ft. Class 2	1/	1/	77.95	1/	1/	76.40	73.25	65.25
" Class 3	1/	1/	67.65	1/	1/	68.85	65.90	64.85
65-Ft. Class 2	1/	1/	85.05	1/	1/	92.80	89.65	1/
" Class 3	1/	1/	74.60	1/	1/	81.65	79.10	75.35
70-Ft. Class 2	1/	1/	99.65	1/	1/	108.10	102.45	1/
" Class 3	1/	1/	86.25	1/	1/	95.65	90.15	86.00
75-Ft. Class 2	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	127.80	127.55	95.70
" Class 3	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	118.20	118.40	86.40
80-Ft. Class 2	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	161.75	156.55	103.60
" Class 3	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	149.50	151.30	94.80

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Pine, Stumpage	10.55	10.10	10.60	8.30	<u>1/</u>	10.20	9.95	8.65
Pine, F.O.B. Car	45.05	<u>1/</u>	45.15	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	45.00	40.80	36.30
Hardwood, Mixed Stumpage	3.85	3.95	3.55	4.15	3.80	3.85	3.70	3.55
Hardwood, Mixed F.O.B. Car	35.05	<u>1/</u>	36.30	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	35.20	33.45	29.45

1/ - Insufficient number of quotes to report on area basis but included in Statewide average.

NOTE: The Doyle log scale is basis for board feet measurement.

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